

MOOSE LEADERS SEE NOMINATION OF THE COLONEL

Delegates Determined to
Name Roosevelt Despite
Course of Republicans.

CONVENTION OPENED
WITH CRIES FOR VOTE

Progressives Refuse to Listen to Any
Proposal to Transact Any
Other Business.

CHECKED BY THE CHAIRMAN

Robins and Perkins Succeed in Get-
ting Consent to Submit Report of
the Conference Committee
After Night Session.

CHICAGO, June 10.—The pro-
gressive national convention as-
sembled at 10:30 o'clock, with the
prospect that Col. Roosevelt
would be nominated almost im-
mediately. After meeting with
the republican peace managers
the progressive leaders expressed
the opinion that Col. Roosevelt
would be the nominee.

Early this morning George W. Per-
kins, Hiram Johnson and other pro-
gressive leaders were in close confer-
ence with Chairman Robins, and there
were rumors among the progressive dele-
gates that a coup of some kind was in
preparation, the word having gone
round to have them in their seats early
so that the convention could meet at
10:30 sharp.

Waiting on Col. Roosevelt.

Mr. Perkins left the conference to go
to a meeting of the republican and pro-
gressive conferees. All the state chair-
men remained in the conference. It
was said no word had yet come from
Col. Roosevelt as to whether he would
accept a progressive nomination if the
republican convention nominated Jus-
tice Hughes.

After the conferees had been in ses-
sion about half an hour George W.
Perkins and Charles J. Bonaparte left
the club in a taxicab for an unan-
nounced destination.

We still are in negotiation," Mr.
Perkins said. "I can't say more now."

After a brief conference Mr. Perkins
returned to the republican chairmen
and made a report which was not dis-
closed. He indicated that he might
have another conference with the re-
publican conferees.

Meeting Somewhat Stormy.

The meeting of the state chairmen
was somewhat stormy. Several of
the chairmen implied that Chairman Per-
kins was not for Roosevelt to the last
trench. Miller of Florida and Parker
of Louisiana resented the criticism.
Miller left the room, but was persua-
ded to return. Parker declined to ad-
dress a meeting.

Mr. Perkins told them that even if Il-
linois voted to Hughes at the republi-
can convention, it would be insufficient
to nominate, and that he looked for
a recession in the Hughes strength on
succeeding ballots.

"The tide will turn to Roosevelt, I
think," said Mr. Perkins.

Predicts Allen Nomination.

William Allen White of Emporia,
Kan., predicted that before the pro-
gressive convention was in session five
minutes Col. Roosevelt would be nomi-
nated. The southern delegates in the
conference put up a strong fight
against a merger with the republicans
and contended for preserving the pro-
gressive party as a political entity.

It was understood that Senator Cum-
mings had submitted a proposal to the
progressives which was placed in writing.
While it was felt in some quarters
that the progressive convention might
nominate Col. Roosevelt today, it was
also believed that the nomination of
Hughes would not prove wholly ob-
jectionable to the progressive leaders,
said Col. R. A. Wilkinson of
Chattanooga, as the conservative delegates
seldom filled the Auditorium.

Pounced On by Delegates.

As the delegates came into the con-
vention hall from their meeting with
the progressive peace conferees, the
delegation chairmen were pounced
upon by the delegates and got the
word that had gone forth that Col.
Roosevelt was to be instantly named,
and by acclamation, with only a for-
mal vote for record purposes.

When the leaders demanded that the
convention be immediately convened,
Chairman Robins ordered the stage hur-
riedly cleared.

At 10:41 Chairman Robins began
providing his gavel. There was a show
of haste to proceed to nomination be-
fore the republican convention should
convene at 11 o'clock.

About one-third of the delegates were
absent when the opening gavel banged.

"Let us open quickly," said
Chairman Robins earnestly. Two short
touts of a whistle somewhat relieved a
tense situation.

Chairman Robins announced that
the convention should proceed "delib-
erately and in order," and said the first
business was a report from the confer-
ence committee.

Asked Not to Act.

"Chester Russell of California told of
the conference of state chairmen. Mr.
Russell said they requested that the
convention do not take any action
until their arrival."

"How soon will they be here?" dele-
gates shouted.

"Will you wait?" he asked.

"Yes, we'll wait," "No, no," were
shouted at Mr. Russell.

"We will wait a reasonable time,"
said Chairman Robins.

Mr. Robins said the convention would
then proceed to nominations.

"This is not time for speeches, but
for action," he said, and then sent the
convention into a demonstration by ad-
ding significantly, "We are going to do
just what we came to Chicago to do."

Chairman Robins asked that when the
nominating speeches are made the con-
vention reserve its long applause for the
end, so that the speakers may not be in-
terrupted.

The early end of the convention was
also pressed by an announcement that
a New York special would leave Chicago
tonight if the convention adjourns before
6 o'clock.

Situation Explained.

The parliamentary situation was ex-
plained by Secretary Davis so that

the delegates would be in a position to

express appreciation for the

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